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Governor. Maybe the public would not be satisfied with an individual handpicked by the Governor. Does the Office of Governor belong to the candidate who wins it in a proprietary sense, so that that person owns the Office of Lieutenant Governor also and, therefore, is given the power to appoint the person to be Lieutenant Governor? Even though at the federal level they say the President should select a vice-presidential candidate, in other states you have a scheme such as this.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Does that, in and of itself as an argument, mean that the system is valid? Is the best interest of the public being served and what is the interest of the public? I have a few more comments I'd like to make about this proposal, but my time is up so I won't try to say them on this time.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Chambers, you're concluded?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Microphone not activated.) (Inaudible).

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Okay, Senator Cudaback, and then Senator Schimek, and Senator Crosby.

Mr. Speaker, members, I guess I'd like to SENATOR CUDABACK: rise to support this CA for various reasons. I'm not one to "micromanage", I'll leave it up to somebody else to work out the details, but the idea is great. I wished I would have thought of it, and I support Senator Schrock in this achievement, if it passes. Like I say, maybe some things can be worked out. But I guess why I'm for it, there must be an objective if you force The objective here is to have those two people work together if the state needs something, if the state needs to have a person work after the fact or during the fact that he is Governor. So many times a Lieutenant Governor doesn't have a whole lot to do. I'm not saying that now or then or when, but many times it works that way. We all know this. I think if the...if the Governor picks his person he'll be more, what shall we say, not compelled, but more liable or more likely to give that person some jobs, you might say, give them some duties. think if that Governor, if the Governor does pick, he'll have...he'll be more likely to do this. And Senator Chambers